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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF PALESTINIAN ISSUES AT EC
FONMINS' MEETING NOV. 18

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1. DIRECTOR OF FONOFF'S DESK FOR EC POLITICAL CO-OPERATION, VON DER GABLENTZ, HAS TOLD US THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS, DURING THEIR NOV. 18 MEETING IN PARIS, DISCUSSED BOTH THE EC POSITION ON THE CURRENT MIDDLE-EASTERN DEBATE IN THE UN AND ALSO THE QUESTION OF PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION IN THE EC-ARAB DIALOGUE.
2. THE MINISTERS AGREED UNANIMOUSLY THAT ARAB DRAFT RESOLUTIONS SO FAR PRESENTED IN NEW YORK WERE UNBALANCED AND UNACCEPTABLE. THEIR MOST SERIOUS DEFICIENCY WAS LACK OF ANY REFERENCE TO RES. 242 OR TO ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO SECURE AND RECOGNIZED BORDERS. WITHOUT THESE, EC STATES COULD NOT SUPPORT THEM. DECISION AS TO WHETHER TO ABSTAIN OR VOTE AGAINST ANY PARTICULAR RESOLUTION WOULD DEPEND ON DEGREE TO WHICH ITS LACK OF BALANCE APPEARED TO CONSTITUTE DIRECT THREAT TO ISRAEL'S EXISTENCE. GABLENTZ EMPHASIZED UNANIMITY OF FOREIGN MINISTERS ON THIS ISSUE, SAYING THAT THE FRENCH APPEARED TO BE AS STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE ONE-SIDED ARAB APPROACH AS ANY OTHER MEMBER.
3. AS FOR THE QUESTION OF PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION IN THE EC-ARAB DIALOGUE, GABLENTZ SAID THERE HAD BEEN AN APPARENT TOUGHENING OF THE ARAB POSITION. ARABS WERE NOW SAYING THAT PLO AS SUCH SHOULD HAVE OBSERVER STATUS, NOT JUST IN GENERAL COMMISSION BUT IN ALL WORKING GROUPS. THEY WERE THREATENING TO CANCEL OUT ON PROJECTED FIRST MEETING OF GENERAL COMMISSION IN PARIS ON NOV. 25 IF THESE CONDITIONS WERE NOT MET. ACCORDING TO GABLENTZ, MINISTERS REACHED NO FINAL CONCLUSION ON THIS MATTER AT NOV. 18 MEETING BUT WERE AGREED (A) THAT THEY WOULD NOT PERMIT THEMSELVES TO BE PUT UNDER PRESSURE; AND (B) THAT THEY WOULD NOT ACCEPT CONDITIONS THAT WOULD PUT A POLITICAL BURDEN ON THE EC-ARAB DIALOGUE.

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4. COMMENT: AS GABLENTZ HIMSELF SAID, THESE ARE NOT FINAL EC POSITIONS. WE SUSPECT THEY MAY BE IN THE NATURE OF A PRELIMINARY REACTION ON THE PART OF THE MINISTERS IN THE FACE OF ARAB PRESSURE TACTICS, AND AS SUCH SUBJECT TO REVIEW IN THE COLD LIGHT OF DAY.
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